

Public School Districts

Filer District #413

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District Characteristics 1997-98

Fall Enrollment 1997-98	1,332	Special Education:	
Average Daily Attendance	1,275	Special Education Students	153
State Ranking per ADA	43	Gifted and Talented Students	24
Number of Schools (sites):		Number of LEP Students**	49
Elementary	2	National School Lunch Program:	
Secondary	3	% Average Daily Participation	69%
Number of Schools:		% Free and Reduced Meals	39%
Accredited	4	Average Lunch Price - Elementary	\$1.20
Accredited with Comment	0	Average Lunch Price - Secondary	\$1.40
Advised & Advised with Comment	0	Pupil Transportation Program:	
Warned	0	Average Daily Ridership 1996-97	750
High School Graduates:		Contracted Operation	
High School Diplomas-Regular	96	* Certificates of Completion issued at a district level	
Other Completions*	0	** Limited English Speaking (LEP)	

Superintendent's Highlights

The Direct Writing Assessment (DWA) scores for grades 4, 8, and 11 demonstrated a significant improvement from the previous year's results. Although the scoring standards changed from a four to a five point scale, and that was certainly a factor, teachers have also become more intentional and focused in teaching writing and math skills which, it is believed, has been the primary reason for the better test scores.

DWA results: Fourth grade, 69% of the students scored in the satisfactory category or higher; 86% of the eighth grade students scored in the satisfactory category or higher; and 91% of the 11th grade students scored in the satisfactory category or higher.

The Direct Math Assessment scores also improved significantly: In fourth grade 68% of the students scored in the satisfactory category or higher and in eighth grade 59% of the students scored in the satisfactory category or higher.

Progress Towards Meeting District Goals

1997-98 Goals

To develop exiting standards, benchmarks, learning objectives, and assessments for grades K-12 in the areas of math and language arts.

Progress

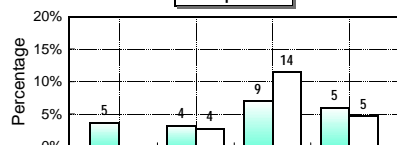
Grade level representatives from grades K-6, and language arts and math teachers from grades 7-12, under the able direction of Mary Ann Ranells and LaRon Smith, have developed math and language arts standards and assessments for grades K-12. Curricular alignment in math and language arts now exists horizontally and vertically-at the same grade level and between grades. The new standards better reflect what the Filer School District expects its students to know and be able to do as they exit each grade in elementary school and subject in secondary school in the areas of math and language arts.

Student Profiles

Ethnicity

Race	Male	Female	Total
White	47.88%	42.58%	90.46%
Black	0.16%	0.00%	0.16%
Hispanic	4.24%	4.73%	8.97%
Nat. Amer.	0.00%	0.08%	0.08%
Asian	0.00%	0.33%	0.33%
Total	52.28%	47.72%	100.00%

Dropouts



Year	Grd. 9	Grd. 10	Grd. 11	Grd. 12
96-97	3.68%	3.25%	6.98%	6.02%
97-98	0.00%	2.78%	11.48%	4.72%

Numbers in graph represent actual dropout counts per grade

Next year curriculum committees will be formed to develop new standards and assessments for science and social studies. Three teachers (one from the elementary school and two from the high school) recently attended a national science standards conference in Washington D.C. This new information should prove to be extremely helpful to the science standards committee.

Financial Information 1997-98

	M & O Fund	%	All Funds	%
Revenues:				
Local Taxes	\$904,553	15.55%	\$1,554,597	21.22%
Other Sources	145,085	2.50%	275,890	3.77%
State	4,764,410	81.94%	5,012,801	68.44%
Federal	370	0.01%	481,116	6.57%
Total	\$5,814,418	100.00%	\$7,324,404	100.00%

Supplemental Information:

Property Tax Replacement	\$175,286
Lottery Revenues	\$53,052
Technology Grant	\$63,910

	Total	%	ADA	Rank
Expenditures:				
M & O Instruction	\$3,166,802	61.87%		
M & O Support Programs	1,845,969	36.06%		
M & O Other	106,057	2.07%		
Total M & O	\$5,118,828	100.00%	\$4,016	97
Total ALL Funds	\$6,694,912	100.00%	\$5,252	92

Tax Levies at 9-1-97

	Total	Per ADA	Rank
Property Market Values	\$195,181,449	\$153,116	79
Total M & O Levy	0.004103141		32
Total School Levy	0.006965344		23

Staff Data 1997-98

District Personnel:

	FTE	ADA to FTE
Elementary Teachers	32.91	20
Secondary Teachers	40.22	15
Administrators	5.28	241
Other Certified Staff	7.06	181
Total Certified Staff	85.47	15
Total Non-Certified Staff	37.92	34

Teachers Salaries:

	Rank
Beginning Salary on Schedule	\$19,557
Highest Salary on Schedule	\$39,360
Average Elementary Teacher's Salary	\$31,295 43
Average Secondary Teacher's Salary	\$30,221 67
Superintendent's Salary	\$73,930 34

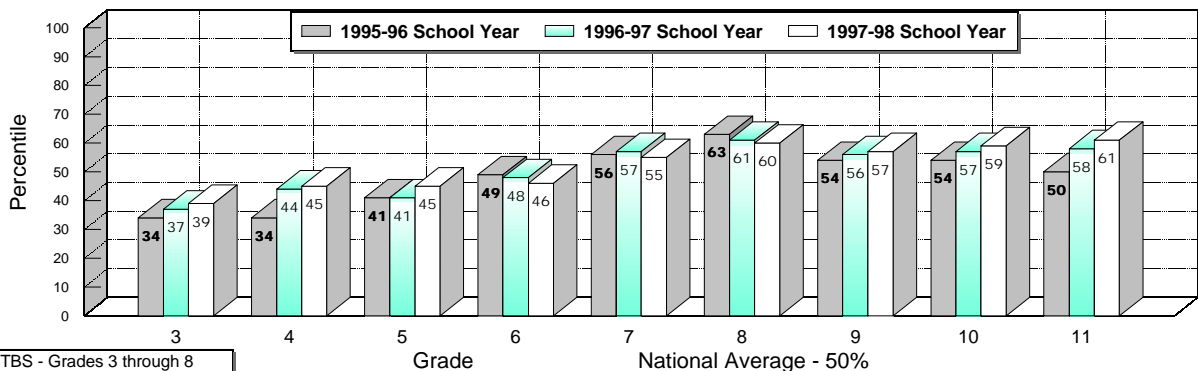
Note: Rank represents how this district compares to the other 111 public school districts in the State of Idaho; high to low (1 being the highest).
 "Totals" may not sum due to rounding.



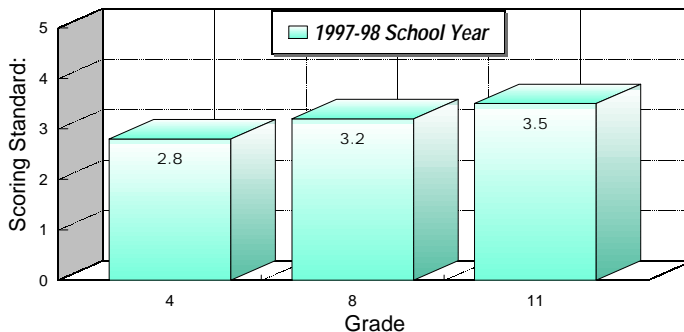
Testing Information 1997-98

Standard Testing Results

ITBS and TAP

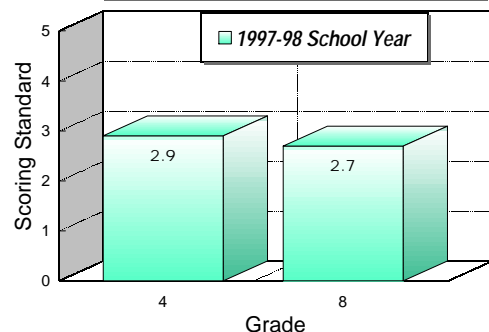


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Direct Math Assessment



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